Absence of Separate Column for STs. in Census 2001

†2758. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not having a separate column for the Scheduled Tribes in the present census programme in Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that there was a column of such type in the previous census programme;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government are considering to make a separate column for the Scheduled Tribes in Delhi; and

(e) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (e) At the Population Enumeration of Census of India, 2001, the Household Schedule which contained a column for recording the name of Schedule Tribe was universally canvassed in the States/Union territories including Delhi. In view of this no further action is required to be taken by the Government.

Proposal to Amend Citizenship Act

2759. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend Citizenship Act denying rights to the children of Bangladeshi migrants;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the views of the Assam Government and All Assam Students Union in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) There is no such proposal at present.

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† Original Notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The All Assam Students Union and the Government of Assam are of the view that section 3 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 dealing with citizenship by birth, should be amended.

NHRC Investigation into Alleged Fake Encounter

2760. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Wili the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NHRC is investigating the allegations of fake eccounter in which one Abu Shamal was killed by Delhi Police in Batala home shooting incident;

(b) whether it is also a fact that two other human rights organisations—the Peoples Union of Democratic Rights and the Peoples Union of Civil Liberties also conducted a probe into the incident; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome of these probes and what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) received a complaint in connection with an incident in which one Abu Shamal was killed. The NHRC has taken cognizance of the complaint.

(b) and (c) The Union of India have not received any report from the Peoples Union of Democratic Rights and the People Union of Civil Liberties about the probe conducted by them, if any, into the incident.

Attacks made by Extremists in J & K

†2761. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places where attacks were made by extremists on soldiers, citizens and bases of security forces during last three months in Jammu and Kashmir;

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